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DIBRUGARH AIRPORT
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the implementation status of the extension of runway and construction of terminal building of Dibrugarh Airport;

(b) the target set for completion of the work;

(c) the constraints, if any, in the execution of the project;

(d) whether the Government proposes to introduce additional flights to this airport for its optimum utility; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a), (b) & (c) The runway extension work was awarded but was not executed due to non transfer of land by Defence Authority, resulting into foreclosure of contract. However, Terminal Building work is in progress and is expected to be completed by January, 2009.

(d) & (e) Route Dispersal Guidelines notified by the Government require all scheduled operators to deploy at least ten percent of the capacity deployed by them on trunk routes (Cat I routes) on the routes to North Eastern Routes, J & K , A & N Islands and Lakshadweep islands (Cat II routes). Ten percent of the capacity deployed on Cat II has to be deployed for intra regional connectivity. Subject to compliance with Route Dispersal Guidelines, the airlines are free to operate anywhere in the country in their commercial judgement.